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SUBJ: USIS BUILDING STONED BY DEMONSTRATORS

1. AT 1200 HRS JAN 28 USIS BUILDING WAS STONED FOR ABOUT 20 MINUTES BY A GROUP OF ABOUT 60-90 YOUTHFUL DEMONSTRATORS. ALL FIRST FLOOR WINDOWS AND TWO ON SECOND FLOOR WERE BROKEN WITH SUBSTANTIAL DAMAGE TO USIS LIBRARY FROM BROKEN GLASS. TWO OF THREE PETROL BOMBS THROWN ENTERED BUILDING, SPRAYING GAOLINE AND FUMES THROUGHOUT INTERIOR BUT FORTUNATELY DID NOT IGNITE. BUILDING HAS SINCE BEEN SPRAYED AND FUMES CLEARED. AT LEAST ONE AUTOMOBILE IN PARKING LOT ALSO DAMAGED. ONE ETHIOPIAN POLICEMAN WAS ON SCENE, BUT COULD ONLY WATCH PROCEEDINGS. ADDITIONAL POLICE WERE REQUESTED URGENTLY, BUT BY TIME THEY ARRIVED, DEMONSTRATORS HAD MOVED ON, AFTER LEAVING EPRP PROPAGANDA LEAFLETS, CONDEMNING FASCIST EPMG, EDU AND BUREAUCRATIC CAPITALISM.

2. DEMONSTRATION IS ONLY ONE OF SEVERAL WHICH HAVE BEEN TAKING PLACE ALL MORNING, AS RESULT OF STUDENT LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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BOYCOTT WHICH HAS CLOSED ADDIS ABABA UNIVERSITY CAMPUS AND SOME SECONDARY SCHOOLS THROUGHOUT CITY. DETAILED REPORT ON STUDENT SITUATION SEPTEL. THERE HAVE BEEN UNCONFIRMED REPORTS OF SHOOTINGS NEAR SOME SCHOOLS, WHICH WE ARE INVESTIGATING. BRITISH COUNCIL BUILDING WAS ALSO DAMAGED RUING STONING INCIDENT THIS MORNING.

3. AT 1245 ABOUT 100 YOUNG PERSONS COLLECTED AROUND
EMBASSY COMPOUND GATE TO SHOUT ANTI-IMPERIALIST
SLOGANS AND DROP LEAFLETS BEFORE MOVING ON AWAY FROM
CENTER OF CITY. NO DAMAGE CAUSED, BUT EMBASSY
HAS REQUESTED POLICE ASSISTANCE AS PROTECTION AGAINST
REPETITION. AS OF 1430 CITY APPEARS TO HAVE QUIETED
DOWN, WITH POSSIBLE EXCEPTION OF MARKET AREA.

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